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REMOVABLE ADHESIVE TAPE LAMINATE AND SEPARABLE FASTENER

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith:

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37 CFR 1.607(a)(4)AMENDMENT

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DEAR SIR:

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1, 41-43, and 45-67 and add claims 68-81 as follows:

68. An adhesive film strip composite comprising:

a) an adhesive film strip which is elastically or plastically extensible, exhibits an adhesion less than its cohesion and the adhesion disappears on extension, and which exhibits a ratio of peel force to tear strength of at least 1:2, which when bonded to a substrate, can be released from said substrate by pulling on the adhesive film strip in the direction of the plane of the bond formed between said adhesive film strip and said substrate; and